



Docket No.: 43876-128

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Craig HANSEN, et al.

Serial No.: 09/922,319

Filed: August 02, 2001

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Group Art Unit: 2676

Allowed: June 26, 2003

Examiner: M. Monestime

For: PROGRAMMABLE PROCESSOR WITH GROUP FLOATING-POINT
OPERATIONS (As Amended)

COMMENTS IN RESPONSE TO REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

In response to the Reasons For Allowance provided in the Notice of Allowability mailed on June 26, 2003 Applicants note that although the Reasons for Allowance expressly identifies distinct features of the various claims, for example the limitation "dynamically partitioning the data stream based on an elemental width of the data and storing partitioned data in registers of a register file coupled to the data path, wherein a number of data elements stored in a register is inversely related to the elemental width of the data stored in partitioned fields of the register" was identified for claim 18. However, applicants emphasize that the features identified by the Examiner, including the above feature of claim 18, are not the only novel and non-obvious features, taken alone or in combination, present in the allowed claims, respectively, and Applicants respectfully traverse any inference to the contrary.

Respectfully submitted,

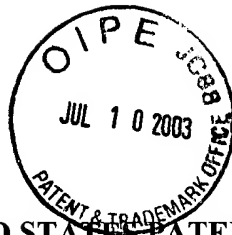
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LETTER SUBMITTING FORMAL DRAWINGS

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability dated June 26, 2003, submitted herewith are One Hundred Forty-eight (148) sheets of Formal Drawings in connection with the above referenced application.

Respectfully submitted,

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